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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
ANNA M. VALENCIA

October 15, 2019
Via Email

Forest Gregg
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Dear Mr. Gregg:

This letter is in response to your correspondence received by the City of Chicago Office of the City Clerk on October 9, 2019 in which you stated the following:

- *All witness slips submitted during a committee meeting between May 1, 2019 and October 1, 2019.*

The Office of the City Clerk neither possesses nor maintains witness slips and therefore we have no records responsive to your request.

As a courtesy to you, you may wish to refer to the following website <https://www.chicityclerk.com> to review the monthly committee reports that are available online to determine if each committee included details about witness testimony in their reports.

Please note that each City department is a public body under Section 2 of FOIA, 5 ILCS 140/2(a). See *Duncan Publishing, Inc. v. City of Chicago*, 304 Ill. App. 3d 778, 784, 709 N.E.2d 1281, 1286 (1ST Dist. 1999) (Clearly, each of the individual departments are subsidiary bodies of the City and are public bodies as defined by the FOIA). A FOIA request must be directed to the department that maintains the records you are seeking.

To the extent you consider this to be a denial of your FOIA request, you have a right to seek review by the Public Access Counselor ("PAC") by writing to:

Public Access Counselor
Office of the Attorney General
500 South 2nd Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706
Fax: 217-782-1396
E-Mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us



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If you choose to file a Request for Review with the PAC, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this partial denial letter -5 ILCS 140/9.5(a). Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this response when filing a Request for Review with the PAC. You also have the right to seek judicial review of this response-5 ILCS 140/11.

Sincerely,

Marlene Variali
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